

Division 3. Air Resources Board

Chapter 1. Motor Vehicle Pollution Control Devices

Article 5. Approval of Systems Designed to Convert Motor Vehicles to Use Fuels Other Than the Original Certification Fuel or to Convert Motor Vehicles for Emission Reduction Credit

§ 2031. Alcohol or Alcohol/Gasoline Fuels Retrofit Systems.

(a) Applicable Standards and Test Procedures.

The standards and test procedures for approval of systems designed to convert 1993 and earlier model year motor vehicles to use alcohol or alcohol/gasoline fuels in lieu of the original certification fuel system are contained in "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Systems Designed to Convert Motor Vehicles Certified for 1993 and Earlier Model Years to Use Alcohol or Alcohol/Gasoline Fuels," adopted by the State Board April 28, 1983 as amended November 21, 1995. The standards and test procedures for approval of systems designed to convert 1994 and subsequent model year motor vehicles to use alcohol or alcohol/gasoline fuels are contained in "California Certification and Installation Procedures for Alternative Fuel Retrofit Systems for Motor Vehicles Certified for 1994 and Subsequent Model Years and for all Model Year Motor Vehicle Retrofit Systems Certified for Emission Reduction Credit," adopted by the State Board March 11, 1993, as amended September 25, 1997. At the option of the retrofit system manufacturer, the standards and test procedures for approval of systems designed to convert 1994 and subsequent model year motor vehicles to use alcohol or alcohol/gasoline fuels may be used for approval of systems designed to convert 1993 and earlier model year motor vehicles to use alcohol or alcohol/gasoline fuels in lieu of the "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Systems Designed to Convert Motor Vehicles Certified for 1993 and Earlier Model Years to Use Alcohol or Alcohol/Gasoline Fuels."

(b) Implementation Phase-In Schedule.

Notwithstanding subsection (a), a retrofit system manufacturer may apply "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Systems Designed to Convert Motor Vehicles Certified for 1993 and Earlier Model Years to Use Alcohol or Alcohol/Gasoline Fuels" to certify retrofit systems for 1994 and 1995 model-year vehicles in accordance with the following implementation phase-in schedule. Each manufacturer may certify a maximum of 85 percent of its total 1994 model-year engine family retrofit systems, 45 percent of its total 1995 model-year systems, and 45 percent of its total 1996 model-year systems, according to the requirements of these test procedures and the "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Systems Designed to Convert Motor Vehicles Certified for 1993 and Earlier Model Years to Use Liquefied Petroleum Gas or Natural Gas Fuels," adopted by the State Board on April 16, 1975, as amended November 21, 1995. The remaining percentage of each manufacturer's certified 1994, 1995, and 1996 model-year engine family retrofit systems and all of 1997 and subsequent model-year engine family retrofit systems shall be certified according to "California Certification and Installation Procedures for Alternative Fuel Retrofit Systems For Motor Vehicles Certified For 1994 and Subsequent Model Years and for all Model Year Motor Vehicle Retrofit Systems Certified for Emission Reduction Credit." The percentages shall be determined from the total number of retrofit systems certified and shall be met prior to the end of the next respective calendar year. "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Systems Designed to Convert Motor Vehicles Certified for 1993 and Earlier Model Years to Use Alcohol or Alcohol/Gasoline Fuels" shall not be applied to certify a retrofit system for installation on a transitional low-emission vehicle ("TLEV"), low-emission vehicle ("LEV"), or ultra-low-emission vehicle ("ULEV") or to certify a retrofit system designed to convert a vehicle to TLEV, LEV, or ULEV emission standards (as defined in Section 1960.1, Title 13, California Code of Regulations), or to certify a retrofit system for emission reduction credits.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 39515, 39600, 39601 and 43006, Health and Safety Code. Reference: Sections 43000, 43004, 43006, 43008.6, 43013 and 43108, Health and Safety Code; and Sections 27156, 38391 and 38395, Vehicle Code.

REFERENCE